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Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Attn. Dana Dean, Associate Director P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

RE: No. M/051/0013: Comments on Tentative Decision to Approve a Large Mining and Reclamation Plan for Geneva Rock Products at Center Creek Mine, Wasatch County, Utah

Dear Dana:

Thank you for providing the additional information pertaining to the proposed large mining and reclamation plan for the Center Creek Mine. The information helps me better understand the nature of the request and expectation from the operator.

Generally, I do not have a problem with the proposed operation because the existing gravel pit has existed since the site was owned and operated by Harper Contracting Inc. since May 1996. The LDS Church purchased the Harper gravel pit in the fall of 2000. On April 23, 2001, a representative of the Corporation of the Presiding Bishop of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (CPB) appeared before the County Commission to discuss their plan to continue the use of the gravel pit for the construction of the LDS Heber Valley Family/Youth Camp and reconsideration of the Harper's Conditional Use Permit.

The County Commission reaffirmed the Conditional Use Permit given to Harper with the following amendments:

- 1. The use of the material from the gravel pit is for the construction of the LDS Heber Valley Family/Youth Camp.
- 2. Designated roads for hauling material from the pit to the camp are limited to private roads controlled by CPB.

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3. Thirty-nine thousands (39,000) cubic yards of material per year are allowed to use county roads for other improvements owned by CPB and none of the material should be taken out of the pit is for commercial use.

It is our position that the Conditional Use Permit approval given on April 23, 2001 to CPB is still valid to the application before you. Any changes to the existing conditional use permit approval would require a new Conditional Use Permit.

I hope the information provided in this letter helps you understand how sensitive an issue it is for Wasatch County to have a gravel pit in the Center Creek area. We want to continue to promote the health, safety, welfare, prosperity, peace, good order, comfort, convenience and aesthetics of the present and future inhabitants of the County.

Thank you for allowing us to provide comments on the proposal.

Sincerely yours,

WASATCH COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING

Al Mickelsen Director